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September 21, 2004

Thomas Gilman  
Adolescent Program Advisor  
Stonington Institute  
75 Swantown Hill Road  
North Stonington, Connecticut 06359

Re: Certificate of Need Determination, Report Number 04-30362-DTR  
Stonington Behavioral Health, Inc. d/b/a Stonington Institute  
Ten Bed Expansion of Substance Abuse Intensive Treatment Beds

Dear Mr. Gilman:

On August 20, 2004, the Office of Health Care Access ("OHCA") received your Certificate of Need ("CON") Determination request for the expansion of your bed complement by ten additional substance abuse intensive treatment beds in North Stonington, CT.

Please be advised that OHCA has reviewed your request and makes the following findings:

1. Stonington Institute is a for-profit substance abuse facility licensed to provide Substance Abuse Day and Evening Treatment, Intensive Treatment, Outpatient Treatment, and Residential Detoxification and Evaluation at 75 Swantown Hill Road in North Stonington.
2. Stonington Institute is currently licensed by the Department of Public Health for a 45-bed substance abuse intensive treatment program and by the Department of Children and Families for a 45-bed residential treatment program at 75 Swantown Hill Road in North Stonington, CT.
3. Stonington Institute proposes to add ten intensive or residential treatment beds for a total bed complement of 55 at 75 Swantown Hill Road in North Stonington, CT.
4. Stonington Institute currently provides residential treatment services under contract to the Department of Children and Families. The expanded services will be available to DCF referrals and non-DCF children in need of services.

5. The proposed expansion is to accommodate out-of-state placements awaiting appropriate community placements within Connecticut and to serve those adolescents with a dual diagnosis that are inappropriately held at higher levels of care due to the lack of available residential capacity.
6. The capital expenditure associated with this proposal is \$30,900.

Based on the above findings, OHCA has determined that the addition of ten intensive or residential treatment beds in North Stonington represents an additional service and will require Certificate of Need authorization pursuant to Section 19a-638 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

Please be advised that your letter dated August 20, 2004 requesting a CON Determination will serve as your Letter of Intent. Your Certificate of Need Application form will be sent to you under separate cover. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Susan Cole at (860) 418-7038.

Sincerely,

Signed by Cristine A. Vogel  
Commissioner

c: Sandra Bauer, Health Processing Technician, DPH, DCBR

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